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NLM LAUNCHES ASSOCIATE PROGRAM

NLM Director Martin M. Cummings, M.D., has announced the inauguration of the National Library of Medicine Associate Program.

Under the new Program, the Library will provide supervised training for promising, but inexperienced librarians through a well-rounded curriculum in modern medical library science. Designed as a high-level postgraduate educational experience, the Program will include: rotating work assignments in the Library's operating divisions; elective projects; lectures, seminars, and participation in staff meetings; orientation to MEDLARS and mechanized information retrieval; formal university courses; visits to area medical and research libraries and information centers; and attendance at meetings and conferences of professional librarians in the Washington metropolitan area.

The first three candidates have been selected for postgraduate training in the 1966-67 Program. They are Miss Carmen E. Bravo, Miss Frances E. Hasemeier, and Mr. William I. Plank.

C.E.Bravo

F.E.Hasemeier

Miss Bravo, who joined the Program on Aug. 1, holds a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry from the University of Kansas and a Master's degree in library science from the University of Pittsburgh.

Miss Hasemeier, at NLM since July 1, has two degrees from Indiana University: a B.A. in French and an M.A. in library science.

Mr. Plank, who is scheduled to start training September 1, received his Bachelor's degree in social science and mathematics from Michigan State University and an M.A. in library science from the University of Michigan.

NLM ANNUAL REPORT, 1965 AVAILABLE

Single copies of the Library's Annual Report for Fiscal Year 1965 are now available on request from: Assistant to the Director, National Library of Medicine, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Md. 20014. The supply is limited.

TRAINING OFFICER APPOINTED

Mr. John Timour has been appointed Training Officer for the Library.

Mr. Timour

Mr. Timour will coordinate the NLM Associate Program and will design career development programs for Library staff. He will also plan specialized training programs for PHS personnel and staff from other institutions.

Before joining NLM, Mr. Timour was Training Officer at the Public Housing Administration in Washington. Earlier, he served at American University as Assistant Dean, in charge of off-campus adult education centers.

SYMPOSIUM FOR DENTISTS SCHEDULED

Dentists representing the Armed Forces, the Veterans Administration, and the Public Health Service will participate in a symposium for dental practitioners and researchers on the use of medical libraries, August 29-30, 1966, at the Library.

Kenneth C. Lynn, D.D.S., NLM Coordinator for Dental Affairs, will chair the Symposium. Following a welcome by Scott Adams, NLM Deputy Director, Dr. Lynn will conduct a general orientation and lead discussions of the Library's operating programs and services. Dr. Donald Washburn, Director, Bureau of Library and Indexing Service, American Dental Association, will conduct a special session on reference tools and their use.

DR. DIXON NAMED CONSULTANT TO NLM

Russell A. Dixon, D.D.S., recently retired Dean of the College of Dentistry of Howard University and a member of the NLM Board of Regents since 1963, has joined the Library as a consultant-in-residence on dental affairs.

Dr. Dixon

Shortly after reporting for duty, Dr. Dixon represented the Library at the 53rd Annual Session of the National Dental Association in New York City. Dr. Dixon and Dr. Lynn monitored an exhibit on NLM services to the dental community.

NLM EXHIBITS ABROAD

An exhibit on MEDLARS will be displayed August 20-25, 1966, at the International Congress on Diseases of the Chest in Copenhagen. Carl-Eric Elwin, M.D., of the NLM Drug Literature Program will monitor the exhibit. The MEDLARS exhibit will also be shown at the International Pharmaceutical Federation Meeting in Madrid, September 17-24. Mrs. Gloria Francke, also of DLP, will attend the meeting while on leave in Europe. Later Dr. Elwin will present the exhibit at Karolinska Institutet in Stockholm.

NLM PROGRAM REPORT
(First of a Series)

The Facilities and Resources Division, Extramural Programs, headed by Carl D. Douglass, Ph.D., has three areas of responsibility: (1) a construction grant program, (2) a grants program to develop regional medical libraries, and (3) a program of grants for improving and expanding medical library resources.

Mr. Robert Walkington is in charge of the construction grant program. Dr. Louis S. Gerber heads the program for regional libraries. Mrs. Maxine Hanke, formerly Special Assistant to Marjorie P. Wilson, M.D., Associate Director for Extramural Programs, is responsible for the Resources Program. Miss Marilyn Miller is her assistant.

Mr. Walkington formerly served with the Division of Hospital and Medical Facilities in the PHS Bureau of State Services, where he was a Public Health Advisor in the Educational Facilities Branch. He holds a B.A. degree from San Jose State College and has done graduate work in political science and public administration at Stanford University and American University.

Dr. Gerber joined the NLM staff in September 1964 as Coordinator for the Development of the Collections and later became Deputy Chief of the Technical Services Division.

Miss Miller, who earned her B.A. and M.S. in L.S. degrees at the University of Pittsburgh, was employed at the Falk Library of the Health Sciences there.

The newly established Facilities and Resources Committee will hold its first meeting in September. The Committee will review grant applications and make recommendations to the National Medical Libraries Assistance Advisory Board.

PUBLICATIONS

Limited quantities of two new Library publications are available: John Shaw Billings Centennial, 70 pp., illus., containing major addresses presented at the June 17, 1965 celebration; The Nucleic Acids, An Annotated Bibliography, Vol.2, Pt. 2, July - December 1963, 286 pp., edited by R. E. Beltz, Ph.D., under a PHS contract with Loma Linda University. Single copies may be requested from: The Assistant to the Director, National Library of Medicine, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Md. 20014.

NLM STAFFER NAMED ASST. EDITOR FOR INSPEL

Dr. Zarechnak

Dr. Galina Zarechnak has been appointed an assistant editor of INSPEL (International Newsletter of Special Libraries), the new official organ of the Special Libraries Section of the International Federation of Library Associations.

The first issue of INSPEL (April 1966) contains a statement by Karl A. Baer, President of the Special Libraries Section, which reads, in part: "INSPEL is intended to serve as a tie between special librarians and libraries throughout the world. It will be an organ for the permanent international exchange of information and opinion...It will combine the promotion of understanding and cooperation with the advancement of knowledge and methods in the special libraries field." Dr. Zarechnak is Head, Selection and Searching Section, Technical Services Division.

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